Pamplin

Pamplin, Dec. 5.- Week-end guests in the home of Mrs. C. C. Rosser were Mrs. Dabney Swan and children, Susan and Jimmie, of Rustburg, and Mrs. Virginia Rosser and son, Jessie Morton, of Appomattox.

Miss Gertrude Mays, of Red House is visiting in the home of the Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Hackney.

Colonel Ligon, of Florida spent the week-end with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Covington and children, of Hisburg, were the Sunday visitors in the home of Mrs. C. C. Rosser.

Dabney Gilliam, of Lynchburg, visited friends and relatives here Sunday.

Miss Martha Hughes, of Duke, N. C., is visiting her mother, Mrs. R. C. Hughes.

Mrs. Elsie Moffet, of Lynchburg, was a visitor in the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. H. McCall recently.

Oakville

Oakville, Dec. 6- Mrs. T. L. Page spent several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. James Spiggle. She spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Page.

Mrs. E. J. Hillsman spent last week-end in Lynchburg with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Twyman Dinkins and son, of Lynchburg visited Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Rogers Sunday.

United Nations Assembly votes to take up Korean question.

Roanoke police raid nip joints.

Mistletoe Has Come Long Way Since Days of Druid Worship

The mistletoe has come a long way from the days when it was worshiped by the British druids to its present status as a criminal killer of forests. However, its use as a symbol of love, peacemaking and goodwill survives to this Christmas intact from the pre-Christian days of the ancient Scandinavian light god, Balder, whose palace stood in the Milky Way.

The beloved Balder, so the myth goes, was slain by a mistletoe arrow but was restored to life at the intercession of the other gods. Custody of the mistletoe plant was then entrusted to the goddess of love who ordained that henceforth anyone passing beneath its bough should receive a kiss in token of love, not vengeance. Held high, it never could be evil.

Christmas Mass

Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve is the event of the year in Rome.

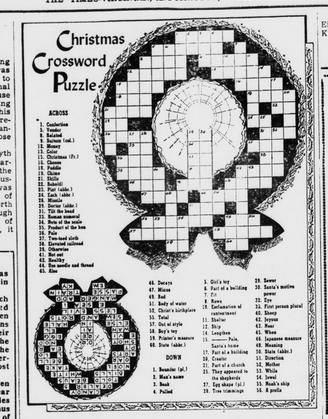
Every Roman Catholic church in the Holy City is crowded with men, women and children anxious to see the processions of church officials in their splendid robes. The larger the church, the more beautiful the sight. And, of course, the service at St. Peter's is the most magnificent in the world.

At St. Peter's all the men present are required to wear evening clothes and the ladies must be dressed in black, thus offsetting the brilliant beauty of the robes. Even the guards on duty are attired in elegant red and white uniforms.

Play safe—drive carefully.

Senator Capehart urges prices and wages be frozen at once.

Christmas Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1. Conduction
5. Related
9. Ancient (ab.)
13. Misery
14. Color
15. Continuous (Pr.)
16. Chrysin
17. Paddle
18. Chides
19. Rabbit
20. Rebirth
22. Part (abbr.)
24. Each (abbr.)
25. Mineral
26. Street (abbr.)
27. Tilt the head
31. Roman numeral
34. Rate of the cable
35. Product of the hen
36. Tie
37. Two-eyed cloth
38. Elevated railroad
39. Refrigerator
40. Old age
42. Rectify
44. Tax needle and thread
45. Also
46. Decays
47. Mimes
48. Sad
51. Body of water
53. Christ's birthplace
55. Total
57. Out of style
58. Boy's toy
59. Painter's measure
60. State (abbr.)

DOWN

1. Beauties (pl.)
2. Man's name
3. Bank
4. Pulled
5. Girl's toy
6. Part of a building
7. Fir
8. Rows
9. Confirmation at communion
10. Shelter
12. Ship
14. Lengthens
15. Lucre
16. Jesus's home
17. Part of a building
20. Creator
21. Part of a church
23. They appeared to the shepherds
27. Egg shape (pl.)
28. Tree relationships
29. Sewer
30. Santa's motive power
32. Eye
33. First person plural
43. Sheep
42. Across
43. Mine
44. Weaver
45. Measure measure
48. Running
49. Rate (abbr.)
51. Direction
52. Mother
53. While
54. Israel
55. Noah's ship
56. A gratis

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mediate selection of military for defense of Europe.

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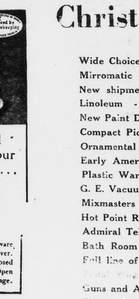

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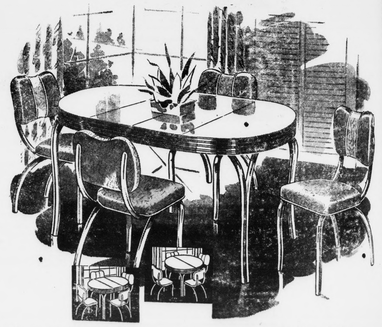

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BOAR'S HEAD

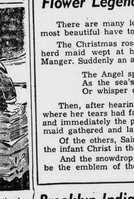
HAT ROAST TURKEY is to Christmas dinner today, the ry's head was to the Yuletide ting of Medieval England.

preparation for the feasting beg during September or October the boar's flesh was at its . Hunters tracked the animal en with well-trained packs of hounds and it was dangerous rt, attacking the ferocious beast en spears or surrounding him driving him into a net.

is ear was his most vulnerable t, but before the dogs could get in on it and pin him down, his ary teeth often wounded—some- es even killed—the hunter and dogs.

Nevertheless, the pluckier the r, the louder his praises were the merrier the feasting, on his head was borne to the istmas table.

Uncle Sam Says



Armistice Day is, by custom, the day we remember our dead and the wars they have won. But this is also a time to think about living Americans too—and the struggle we all face today to keep those ideals of liberty and human dignity for which they gave so much. You can help make America strong by building yourself and your family strength through the wise use of prosperity. A regular investment in U. S. Savings Bonds through the Payroll Savings Plan where you work will assure security for you and for your country. NOW LET'S ALL BUY BONDS! U. S. Treasury Department

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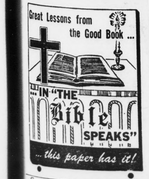

German Protestants ask for restoration of unity.

Graham says the veto power needs change.

O Come Let Us Adore Him

World's Christmas Legends Numerous

Multitudinous legends claim innumerable origins for the Christmas tree. One better known legend concerns an early Christian missionary, sometimes identified as St. Wilfred, who once came upon a group of Druids preparing to make a human sacrifice under a large oak.

He had the oak cut down and, as it fell, a young fir tree sprang up in its place. The missionary seized the evidence and made the fir tree a symbol of the new faith; henceforth, the tribesmen were to set this symbol of immortality in the halls of their lodges at Christmastime and surround it with feasting and love and the laughter of children.

The legend of the Faithful Pine which sheltered the Holy Family during the flight to Egypt is less well known perhaps, but so very charming and touched by the mysticism appropriate to the Nativity theme.

With Herod's soldiers in pursuit, Mary simply had to rest awhile and sought shelter within the hollow trunk of a huge fir tree. As the soldiers approached, the tree bent its branches to conceal the huddled little group. When the danger had passed, the baby Jesus blessed the old tree. And if you cut a pine cone lengthwise at Christmastime, you can still see the imprint of His little hand.

Nor has legend overlooked the bright baubles which bedeck our modern Christmas trees. The first Christmas tree was really an apple tree, according to legends collected by Florence B. Robinson. And, although the fir tree long since has supplanted its predecessor for Christmas use, the popular tinsel bauble of today is the representative of the fruit which for the early Christians symbolized the fall of man in the Garden of Eden and his reclamation by the birth of the Saviour.

Flower Legends Express Christmas Beauty

There are many legends concerning Christmas, but some of the most beautiful have to do with flowers.

The Christmas rose, for instance, was divinely created. A shepherd maid wept at having no gift to lay before the Babe in the Manger. Suddenly an angel appeared before her—

The Angel spoke, his voice was low and sweet
As the sea's murmur on low-lying shore,
Or whisper of the wind in ripened wheat.

Then, after hearing why the maiden wept, he touched the ground where her tears had fallen, with the branch of lilies which he carried, and immediately the place was white with Christmas roses, which the maid gathered and laid on the manger.

Of the others, Sainfoin, or Holy Hay, is believed to have cradled the infant Christ in the manger.

And the snowdrop is the flower of the Virgin Mary, and is said to be the emblem of the candles she lighted on Christmas Eve.

Brooklyn Indian Scares Housewife With Scalping Knife

NEW YORK — A resident of a Brooklyn apartment house told the Flatbush court an Indian working as an elevator operator in the building has some rights, but she doesn't believe they include wearing a "scalping knife" and hanging a modified war club in his elevator.

Mrs. George Hagopian, one of the 12 tenants in the building, said that it had taken a little time to get used to Chief Reindeer, otherwise known as "Joe" when he went to work as superintendent and elevator operator—not that his strangeness was entirely distasteful.

She thought his custom of wearing his hair in a braid was novel and when he occasionally stuck a gay feather into his coiffure, it lent a romantic touch that brightened all of Flatbush.

However, she said the elevator service was poor. You could "ring and ring" before the car came and it did not do much good to complain. Once, she added, when she did complain, Chief Reindeer replied: "This is my country, you leave."

Mrs. Hagopian reminded him of a real estate transaction involving Manhattan island and $24 worth of trinkets. Neither was calm enough at the time to speculate on how Brooklyn was included in the parcel. In any event, the Indian directed her attention to a knife in his belt, which terminated the argument, she said.

Mrs. Hagopian said that she was afraid of being scalped. She said that other tenants had been insulted and that several had signed a petition to the landlord for the chief's removal.

The building's owner was advised to keep the chief under wraps.

British Health Service Refuses to Buy Bath Salts

LONDON, England—The British health service, which supplies free medicines, spectacles, wooden legs, hearing aids, glass eyes, false teeth and wigs, has finally called a halt. The service refuses to buy bath salts.

Neither, said the health ministry, would it honor prescriptions for smelly lotions to make mosquitoes go away.

This also applies to vanishing cream, shaving soap, tooth paste, talcum, and hair tonic.

In other words, brother, no soap. "Prescriptions for such preparation have not actually been submitted," said a ministry spokesman, "but the point was raised because there are borderline cases. A man with an itch, it might be argued with reason, needs a cake of soap."

Extra emergency employees are overcrowding Pentagon building.

Wisconsin Town Loses Tax Revenue Over Technicality

WAUSAU, Wis. — Sam Nigar has the town in an uproar. And it is through no particular fault of his own.

Sam's property sits astride the city limits. His barn is in the city of Wausau and his house is in the county of Wausau. Last year he asked the Wisconsin Fuel & Light company to hook him up to the gas mains. It meant a 300-foot extension of the mains, but the company obligingly made the connection.

Sam's gas hookup has had far reaching results. Previously the company serving only city customers, had been classified as a private utility and paid its taxes directly to the city. When the company first started serving Sam, outside the city limits, it became a public utility. From now on it will pay its taxes to the state, the department of taxation has ruled.

That's good for the gas company but bad for the city. Last year the company paid $14,000 in taxes on a city tax rate of $36 per $1,000 valuation. This year the company will have to pay only $11,205 in taxes, because the state rate is $27 per $1,000 valuation. Of this tax money collected by the state, the city will get half, or $5,600.

Wausau officials, aggrieved at the prospect of an annual $9,340 revenue loss, are reported to be toying with the idea of "annexing" Sam Nigar's house.

300-Mile Tunnel Planned To Drain Huge Coal Field

WASHINGTON — A 300-mile-long twin bore tunnel to open vast hard coal reserves now under water in central Pennsylvania is being planned by the bureau of mines.

S. A. Ash, chief of the bureau's safety branch, said the tunnel—the longest of its kind—should be constructed from the central Pennsylvania coal field to Tidewater near Havre de Grace, Md.

The project would cost from 300 to 500 million dollars, Ash said, but would have a double barreled purpose. While opening new anthracite reserves in an area now producing more than 500 million dollars worth of coal a year, it also would carry 600,000 gallon of water a minute through a heavily populated industrial area which is frequently threatened with water shortages.

This water would provide a new source of electric power to supplement supplies in an industrial area roughly from Jersey City to Baltimore, Ash said. He added that the drainage would double the remaining life of the Pennsylvania anthracite field.

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